

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BRASILIA

TO AMEMBASSY BERN

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 5058

AMCONSUL SAO PAULO

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PRIN, BR

SUBJ: BIO DATA ON BRAZILIAN AMBASSADOR TO BERN (CARLOS SYLVESTRE DE OURO PRETO)

REF: (A) BERN 5637 NOTAL; (B) BRASILIA 9954

1. IN ADDITION TO INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REFTEL B, AMCONGEN SAO PAULO OFFICER KNEW OURO PRETO SOCIALLY WHEN LATTER WAS AMBASSADOR IN LISBON AND PROVIDED FOLLOWING PERSONAL ASSESSMENT, OURO PRETO, WHO COMES FROM A FAMILY THAT HAS TRADITIONALLY SENT ITS CHILDREN INTO DIPLOMATIC SERVICE, IS AFFABLE AND, AT TIMES, GARRULOUS IN PORTUGUESE, FRENCH AND ENGLISH. HE HAS A REPUTATION AS A GOOD PROFESSIONAL. HIS ADMIRERS CALLED HIM A BIG PICUTRE MAN; HIS DETRACTORS CALLED HIM LAZY. OURO PRETO KEPT A TIGHT REIN ON HIS EMBASSY IN LISBON SO THAT CONTACTS WERE MAINTAINED STRICTLY WITH GOP OFFICIALS. BRAZILIAN EMBOFFS AT THE TIME COMPLAINED THAT THEY WERE NOT ALLOWED TO HAVE CONTACT WITH EVEN THE TOLERATED OPPOSITION UNDER SALAZAR OR MARCELO CAETANO.

2. OURO PRETO TENDS TO CHAIN SMOKING, LETTING THE ASH FALL WHERE IT MAY. HE WAS ALSO KNOWN AMONG HIS STAFF FOR CALLING  
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OFFICERS INTO HIS OFFICE IN MID-AFTERNOON FOR CONVERSATION AND DRINKS, WHICH WOULD OFTEN LAST UNTIL EARLY EVENING.  
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